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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph [0024] of the present published application as follows:

[0024] Unfortunately, catalyst supports having a smaller pore size or smaller cross-sectional area passageways may lead to an increased pressure drop across the support, compared to larger sized pores or passageways. One way of reducing the pressure drop across the catalyst support is to ensure, in the case of or a reticulated foam support, that the porosity of the reticulated foam support is sufficiently open (or, in the case of other structures, to ensure that the cross-sectional area of the passageways are sufficiently sized) to minimize a pressure drop across the catalyst support, while retaining sufficient catalytic surface area throughout the structure to achieve a desired level of catalytic combustion. For example, in the case of a reticulated foam support, a pore size grade, or number of pores per lineal inch (ppi), of 3 to 5 ppi may be used for catalytic combustion without inducing a prohibitively large pressure differential across the support.